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TO: Examiner J. Politzer

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FROM: Lisa M. Caldwell, Esq.

RE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
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OUR FILE: 3005-58065/RJP/AAR

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MESSAGE:

Dear Examiner Politzer:

Enclosed are a Status Letter, a copy of the previously faxed Preliminary Amendment, and a copy of our facsimile transmission report.

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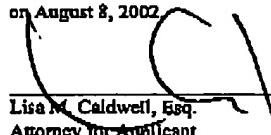
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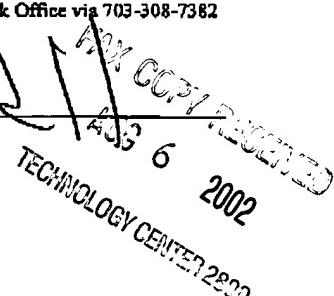
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Entry of the accompanying Preliminary Amendment (Exhibit A) and issuance of an Office action on the above-identified patent application are respectfully requested.

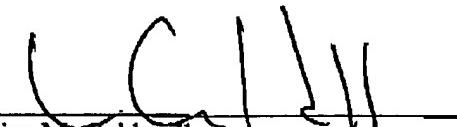
We received a Filing Receipt for the application on June 22, 2001. After that date, we have received nothing further concerning the examination of the application.

The Preliminary Amendment previously was faxed to the Patent and Trademark Office on May 24, 2002. (See attached, as Exhibit B, a facsimile TX Report confirming transmission to the facsimile number 703-746-4427 of 5 pages on May 24, 2002.) But the Preliminary Amendment apparently was misdirected. Entry at this time is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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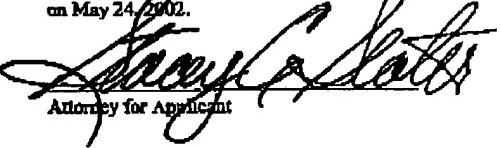
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